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For Participants of Erasmus+ Key Action
(KA131)



3rd (Erasmus+ KA131) & 5th (Erasmus+ KA171) Staff Week

Within the Consortium of International
Credit Mobility of Greek HEIs

**DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION,
ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE
CHANGE AND EDUCATION**

This year's staff week, organized by the University of Crete, and co-hosted by the Consortium of International Credit Mobility of Greek HEIs, ERASMUS+ KA171, is directly aligned with the broader objectives set by the European Union and the Erasmus+ program. The program aims to place particular emphasis on the pillars of digital transition, the environment and climate change and education.

This three-pillar approach will be developed and explored in depth during the five-day program, with the aim of creating an open space for dialogue and the exchange of experiences, knowledge, needs and practical know-how among higher education professionals from various European universities and scientific and professional fields. The experience and exchange of ideas from fields such as geomorphology, project management, IT, information technology, education and international relations, economic, administrative and social sciences, and/ or editorial offices, can enrich the educational program with a variety of perspectives and insights, offering multidimensional knowledge on issues that are timely and critical to the sustainable operation of universities in Europe. Through a variety of presentations, discussions and experiential workshops, participants are invited to develop practices and contribute to the discussion regarding digital tools and sustainable environmental approaches in relation to the daily operations of institutions.



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**ERASMUS+
STAFF WEEK
2026**

25-29.5.26

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Staff Week Schedule



Joint Activities

DAY 1 - 25/05

Arrival, Welcome and Networking

Institute for Mediterranean Studies, Rethymno

10:00 – 11:00 - Registration and welcome desk

11:00 – 12:00 - Introductory meeting and welcome reception

12:00 – 14:00 - Guided city tour

Matina Arvaniti

14:00 - Welcome Lunch

DAY 2 - 26/05

D7 Auditorium, University of Crete

10:00 – 10:15 - Welcome speech

Prof. Eleni Tamiolaki, Vice-Rector of Development, International Relations, and Outreach, University of Crete

10:15 – 10:30 - Welcome speech

Prof. Spyridon Roukanas, Vice-Rector for Academic and Administrative Affairs, University of Piraeus

10:30 – 10:45 - Presentation of the Consortium of International Credit Mobility

Alexandros Tsoraklidis, MSc., Assist. Manager at IRO, University of Piraeus

10:45 – 11:10 - "Leave No One Speechless – Inclusion and the Language of Public Life"

Yvonne Alexia Kosma, Assistant Professor University of Crete

11:10 – 11:30 "Human 2030: Rethinking the Role of Universities in Preparing Adaptive Societies"

Mr. Karen Petrosyan, Director of Armenian State University of Economics, Gyumri Branch, Armenia

11:30 – 12:00 - Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:00 Ice-breaker activity: interactive introduction of participants, institutions and expectations

13:00 – 14:00 "E-Learning Lab UoC:

Pedagogical Use of Augmented Reality in Education"

14:00 - Lunch, UoC Restaurant

DAY 3 - 27/05

Theartemis Palace Hotel-Rethymno city

15:30 – 15:45 Presentation of the Department of International Relations
Julia Stagaki, IRO, University of Crete

15:45 – 16:00 "Similarities and Differences in the Digital Transformation of Higher Education"

Dr. Christina Kontogoulidou, Adjunct Lecturer/ Head of IRO, University of Piraeus

16:00 – 16:15 "Digital Transformation in Education and Research: The TALOS – AI4SSH Initiative"

Rafail Giannadakis, Research Assistant, Talos-AI4SSH Lab, University of Crete

16:15 – 16:30 "Digital Tools & Sustainable Environmental Approaches: Perspectives from Kyambogo, Uganda"

Ms. Anne Nakagiri, Ag Director Research and Grants office, Kyambogo University, Uganda

16:30 – 16:45 - Coffee Break

16:45 – 17:00 "Internationalization of HEIs Within Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility"
University of Piraeus

17:00 – 17:15 "Mental Health and Environmental Change"

James Mugisha, Associate Professor
Kyambogo University, Uganda

19:30 - Dinner/Cretan Night

Parallel activities

Workshops with Participants of the Consortium of ICM University of Piraeus

DAY 4 - 28/05

Co-creation of a digital and sustainable future

Rethymno Campus

10:20 – 10:40 "From papyrus on shelves to files in the cloud: Material transformations and the fragility of knowledge"

Nikos Litinas, Associate Professor, UoC

10:40 – 11:30 Library tour "Maintenance Laboratory"

Niki Petraki, University of Crete

11:30 – 12:00 - Coffee Break

12:00 – 14:00 Workshop "Challenges and opportunities in digital transformation for sustainable universities"

14:00 - Lunch, UoC Restaurant

DAY 5 - 29/05

09:00 - Departure from Rethymno City Center

Visit to the Archaeological Site of Knossos Palace (Heraklion)

Participants will cover the entrance fee

13:30 - Lunch at Arolithos traditional village (Heraklion)

18:00 - Return to Rethymno city

Panel Discussions Coordinated by Eleni Peraki, Head of International and Public Relations Directorate, University of Crete

Workshops with Participants of Erasmus+ Key Action 1 (KA131)

DAY 4 - 28/05

Innovation, Student Support and Digital Education Heraklion Campus

10:00-10:30 Introduction "Generation Z"

Antonia Tzanaki, Acting Head of International and Public Relations Department, UoC

10:30-11:00 "Interventions for Students with Mental Health Problems"

Maria Basta, Professor of Psychiatry University of Crete

11:00 - 11:30 "XRinVET: Digital Innovation in Vocational Education through Extended Reality (VR/AR) Training"

Dr. Marios Pitikakis, Lecturer, University of Crete

11:30-12:00 - Coffee Break and Snacks

12:00 Tour to Museum of Medicine of University of Crete, School of Medicine

DAY 5 - 29/05

AI, Digital Transformation and Innovation in Higher Education

Heraklion Chamber of Commerce and Industry

10:00 - 10:30 "Digital Transformation at the University of Crete"

Digital Governance Unit, University of Crete

10:30 - 11:00 "AI: Teaching methodology, research and assessment"

Kallia Katsampoxaki, Special Teaching Staff, University of Crete

11:00 Outcomes and reflections - Discussion

12:00 - Coffee Break and Snacks

13:00 Tour to Natural History Museum of the University of Crete

13.30 - Lunch at Arolithos traditional village (Heraklion)